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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Neal A. Benkofske et al.  
Serial No.: 09/655134  
Filed: September 5, 2000  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MOLDING A PLATE

Examiner: Thu Khanh Nguyen  
Group Art Unit: 1722  
Docket No: 1396.001US1

PETITION FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

MAIL STOP RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the final Office Action mailed May 30, 2003, said period of response being extended from September 2, 2003 (Tuesday following a federal holiday) to October 30, 2003.

**Our check in the amount of \$210.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee.  
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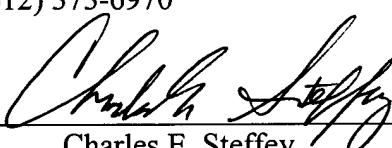
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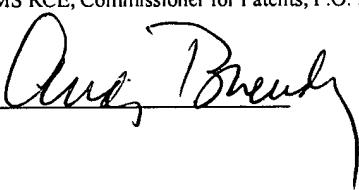
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